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In re Patent Application of)
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Application No.: UNASSIGNED) Examiner: Unassigned
(Corresponds to PCT/FR00/01651)
International Filing Date: 14 JUNE 2000
For: CERIUM AND/OR LANTHANUM
PHOSPHATE SOL, A PROCESS FOR
ITS PREPARATION AND USE FOR
POLISHING)

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or Lap (Poy)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

516-...
423-163
3438-693 for "comp"
106-1412
524-453
124 - consider

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly amend the claims as follows:

1. (Amended) A sol, comprising:
 - an aqueous phase;
 - particles of a phosphate of at least one rare earth selected from the group consisting of cerium and lanthanum;
 - an acid other than phosphoric acid, the cerium and lanthanum salts of which are soluble in water.

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about
HF
H2O
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Ammonia
acetic
white
hydrogen